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SUBJECT: THIRD VISIT TO EMBASSY BY FLEC OFFICIAL

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1. FLEC EXTERNAL AFFAIRS SECRETARY SOZINHO RETURNED TO EMBASSY DECEMBER 4. IN ADDITION TO DROPPING OFF SEVERAL RECENT FLEC PUBLICATIONS, HE REPEATED EARLIER ARGUEMENTS FOR US SUPPORT, PARTICULARLY IN FORM OF COUNSELING LISBON TO BACK CABINDAN INDEPENDENCE. HE SAID ANGOLA BOUND TO BECOME COMMUNIST AND ANTI-PORTUGUESE AFTER INDEPENDENCE. IF CABINDA WAS PART OF ANGOLA US INVESTMENT THERE AND CABINDAN PEOPLE WOULD SUFFER EQUALLY. POLITICAL COUNSELOR AGAIN REFERRED TO OCTOBER 8 STATEMENT OF ASSTSECRETARY EASUM BEFORE CONGRESSIONAL SUBCOMMITTEE AS CONTAINING ESSENSE OF US POLICY, AND SOZINHO NODDED GLUMLY. HE COMMENTED THAT 90 PERCENT OF CABINDANS WERE BEHIND FLEC AND WOULD RESIST DOMINATION FROM ANGOLA OR BRAZZAVILLE. HE ADDED THAT FLEC COULD MUSTER 5000 MEN IF NECESSARY. CONFIDENTIAL

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- 2. SOZINHO ALSO SAID FLEC LEADERSHIP HAD BEEN PARTICULARLY DISAPPOINTED OVER ITS MEETING WITH GOP FONMIN SOARES ON NOVEMBER 26 (REF B). SOARES HAD STUCK TO VIEW THAT ANGOLA SHOULD INCLUDE CABINDA AT TIME OF INDEPENDENCE, WHATEVER ANGOLANS AND CABINDANS MIGHT DECIDE AFTERWARD. HOWEVER, HE DID AGREE TO PRESENT FLEC ARGUMENTS AND DOCUMENTS TO HIS GOP COLLEAGUES.
- 3. ON LEAVING EMBASSY, SOZINHO SAID ALL CABINDANS WERE LOSING SLEEP THESE DAYSOVER PREDICAMENT THEIR COUNTRY IS IN. AT EMBASSY ENTRANCE HE BUMPED INTO ANOTHER MEMBER OF FLEC POLITICAL BUREAU, FRANCISCO XAVIER LUBOTA, WHO, APPARENTLY WITHOUT HIS KNOWLEDGE, HAD MADE SIMILAR DEMARCHE TO ANOTHER EMBOFF.
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